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E.O. 11652 GDS

TAGS: CENTO

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF CENTO SITUATION PAPER

REF: STATE 009920

1. WE INFORMED SECRETARIAT ON JAN 17 THAT WE COULD NOT MAKE RESPONSE BEFORE THE SECRETARIAT PROPOSED DEADLINE OF JAN 21 (REFTEL). MEANWHILE, THIS WEEK TURK MFA HAS PROPOSED SOME SIGNIFICANT DRAFTING CHANGES. MOST OF THEM CONSTITUTE IMPROVEMENTS ALONG LINES WE OURSELVES HAVE BEEN SEEKING. WE ALSO WORKED OUT INFORMAL COMPROMISE WITH TURKS, DROPPING REFERENCES TO SOVIET "ENCIRCLEMENT" OF TURKEY THROUGH SYRIA AND IRAQ. IN A SIMILAR COMPROMISE WE GOT IRANIAN DELEGATE TO AGREE THAT AZAD BALUCHISTAN MOVEMENT HARDLY CONSTITUED A SERIOUS THREAT, AND THE PAPER SHOULD REFLECT THIS. FOR TIME BEING, HOWEVER, WE WILL NOT CABLE PROPOSED NEW LANGUAGE SINCE COMPROMISES WITH PAKISTANIS STILL HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT.

2. OWING TO THE DELAYS IN COMPLETING THE SITUATION PAPER, SECRETARIAT HAS ALREADY PREPARED A DRAFT POLITICAL GUIDANCE PAPER TO MEET THE MINISTERIAL MEETING DEADLINE. SECRETARIAT HAS NOT, HOWEVER, CIRCULATED THIS DRAFT, INSISTING THAT SITUATION PAPER SHOULD BE COMPLETED FIRST. SENTIMENT IN THE OTHER CENTO EMBS IS NEVERTHELESS BUILDING UP FOR THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE CONSIDERATION OF THE POLITICAL GUIDANCE DRAFT.

3. UK EMB DCM, FOR EXAMPLE, SAID THAT FAILURE TO MEET

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THE MINISTERIAL MEETING DEADLINE MIGHT RESULT IN ASSAR

CALLING A SPECIAL MINISTERIAL MEETING LATER TO APPROVE THE  
FINAL DOCUMENT. THE UK, HE SAID, WAS FIRMLY OPPOSED TO  
ANY SPECIAL MINISTERIAL MEETINGS AND HE THOUGHT IT WOULD  
PREFER TO MAKE THE BEST OF AN UNHAPPY SITUATION BY WORKING  
FOR AN AGREED POLITICAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT ASAP.  
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